Water-supply

Extension of the water-supply scheme in Bellary.

*1691 Q.—Mr. P. SIVA RAO: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Municipal Council of Bellary has applied for the extension of the water-supply scheme and the increase of water-taps at Brucepet and Cowl Bazaar in the town of Bellary;

(b) if so, whether its proposals have been sanctioned by the Government; and

(c) whether the Municipal Council, Bellary, has applied for house connexions also and whether its proposal has been sanctioned?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) The scheme already sanctioned provides for the construction of a limited number of taps in Cowl Bazaar and Brucepet areas. A scheme for the construction of additional fountains in Brucepet is separately under consideration. The proposal to increase the number of taps in Cowl Bazaar will be considered after the receipt of plans and estimates therefor.

(c) Yes. The Municipal Council was informed in 1927 that the question of granting house connexions had been deferred until the construction of the head works had been completed and the supply had been extended to the Cowl Bazaar, to the Fort and the Cantonment area. This question will now be considered.

Mr. P. SIVA RAO:—"With reference to answer to clause (b), will the hon. Member be pleased to say with reference to the construction of additional fountains when orders are likely to be passed?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"The construction of head works is nearing completion and this matter of house connexions will be considered soon."

Mr. P. SIVA RAO:—"With reference to answer to clause (c) i.e., the last sentence 'the Question will be considered,' may I take it that the question relates to granting of house connexions?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"Yes."

Diwan Bahadur R. N. AROGYASWAMI MUDALIYAR:—"May I know whether the Government are satisfied with the supply."

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"The complaint is that it is not satisfactory."

Agriculture

Progress of agricultural education in the Presidency.

*1692 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. ŚWAMI: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) the number of agricultural colleges in this province;

(b) the number of agricultural schools in the Presidency;

(c) where the colleges and schools are situated;

(d) the strength of each;

(e) how many of the pupils or students are sons of ryots;